

JFK Murder: Doubts Raised In Conference

By NOEL SALVATORE
Staff Writer

JFK—still a question in minds of many.

A conference and discussion on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy is scheduled to be held Saturday, Feb. 28 at 1 p.m. in Monarch Hall.

The discussion will feature the famous Zapruder assassination film, which shows the actual shooting and has been the subject of extended controversy and discussion.

Fred Newcombe, a prominent researcher in the field who has been investigating the subject since 1964, will make a rare appearance to discuss a slide presentation analyzing the Oswald gun photo.

Newcombe's main research, his first inquiry which he will be talking about, was aimed at the analysis of the Life photo of Oswald holding the weapon. At the time of assassination Oswald was confronted with the picture during his interrogation. He claimed that the picture was a fake and that he would prove it was a fake at the trial—but he never got the opportunity.

People have been looking at the picture ever since; and Newcombe has claimed in his research that he can prove that it is a fake. Research has raised many questions concerning the identity of the man in the photo.

Researcher Newcombe has written a book that has not been published yet which is in manuscript form now. The tentative title for the book is "Murder From Within."

"From what I've seen of Newcombe's evidence, I think a strong case can be made that the Oswald photo is a fake," said Terry Stevenson, one of the coordinators of the program.

If a framing of Oswald can be proven, then it opens up other areas. Once it is shown that someone conscientiously and deliberately attempted to frame Oswald, then it raises the question, of why?

The theory that was extensively worked on last year was the possibility

ty of a cover-up by governmental agencies.

The possible presence of CIA agents in the area when the assassination was committed will also be discussed, according to Ginger Prudim, another program coordinator.

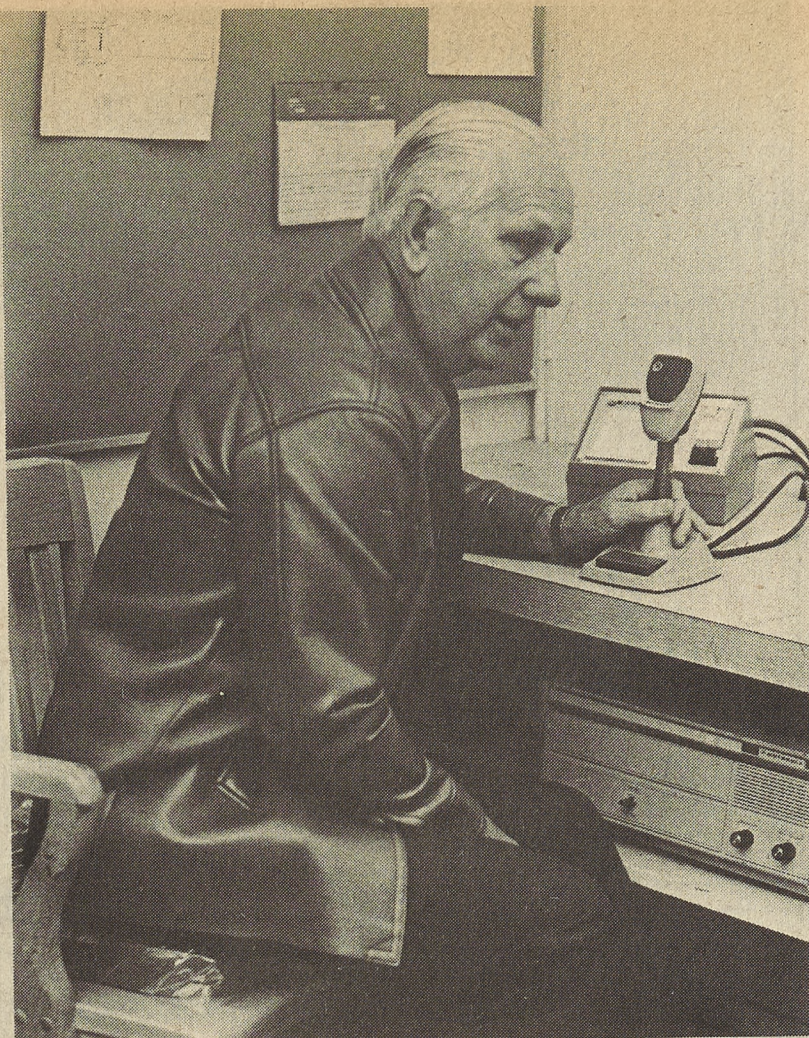
The Warren Commission Report mentioned that when the President was taken to the hospital, a CIA agent was there. To this day the CIA agent has not been identified and no one has any ideas of why he was there.

More importantly, it was also documented in the Warren Report that several Dallas Police officers claimed to have spoken to Secret Service Agents in Daily Plaza after the assassination.

The problem is that there were allegedly no Secret Service Agents in the area until 20 minutes after the assassination because they all went directly to Parkland Hospital.

The Warren Commission only

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BROADCASTING THE LOW ON-CAMPUS CRIME RATE—Chief of campus security Capt. Wallace V. Gudzus recently pointed out that no major crimes have occurred on campus so far this year.

Valley Star photo by Michelle Meredith

Security Reports No Major Crime

By ROB MYERS
Staff Writer

"No major crimes" have been committed on campus so far this year, according to Capt. Wallace V. Gudzus, chief of campus security. "The rate of crime at Valley College has been low."

Parking violations and thefts have been the biggest problems for the campus police, he said while in his office in the security building, B59. "There have been no stolen bicycles or motorcycles, only one stolen car, no robberies, and no attempted rapes."

Campus security's master control sheet listed the following crime reports since January 1: seven thefts, the stolen car, three vehicle burglaries, three other kinds of burglaries, two cases of malicious mischief, two lost property reports, and one indecent exposure. The total number of reports, 19, is one less than the number for the same period last year.

The school is in a middle income, non-transient, residential area which, unlike a low income, multiple housing, commercial area, is less

conducive to burglary or theft and maintains a minimum crime rate, said Gudzus, who was a Los Angeles police officer for 22 years before retiring and becoming chief at Valley in 1969.

He said that it is actually safer to be on campus, especially at night, than in the surrounding, comparatively safe neighborhoods "by virtue of our having 24-hour security within a smaller area."

The campus police consists of two police aides, Donald Moore and Wanda C. Myer; and six officers, William Stevens, Walter Arnold, John Wolf, Kenneth Melby, Marvin Hopkins, and Gudzus.

Campus security has received "numerous complaints" from students about parkers without decals taking up the limited number of parking spaces, Gudzus said.

"We had been issuing 20 to 30 parking tickets per day," writing up only the more serious violations, such as parking in spaces marked for the handicapped, and blocking driveways, exits, and aisles; double and triple parking; and parking in red zones—which congest traffic and

prevent access by the Fire Department, the chief said.

"We give a few weeks leeway to give students a chance to pick up their decals. Starting this week, we have been pursuing a more aggressive enforcement attitude toward the no-decal parkers. We are aware of the problem and are doing what enforcement we can with the personnel available," he said.

Of the two cases of malicious mischief reported, one involved the throwing of a heavy, sand-filled, ceramic ash tray through the glass door at the south entrance of the Campus Center; the other, the slashing of a tire belonging to a faculty member.

"Ninety percent of vandalism is motivated by a desire for revenge, to get back at someone or to strike back against 'the Establishment' or authority," he said. "Students here are above that."

Thefts have included: The consumption of pies, drinks, and other food without paying for them, in the cafeteria "scramble area" during rush hour. Officers with walkie-talkies were conspicuously placed in the area to deter illicit gobblers.

The taking of a lost-but-found watch from the Men's gym Recreation Office.

The taking of a coed's purse by using the claim check she had lost while shopping in the Student Store.

The removal of a CB radio from a parked car.

The theft of track-and-field equipment—six \$36 aluminum starting blocks, a javelin, and vaulting pole—from an equipment room at Monarch Stadium.

Gudzus said that security personnel render many forms of general assistance to students, staff, and visitors. They carry money from the bookstore and business office to the bank, pick up ballots during campus elections, open buildings on weekends for community events, and assist "fender benders" after minor traffic accidents.

They assist an instructor when, for example, an auditor or other student, after being excluded from a class, refuses to leave and creates a disturbance.

They open car doors for people who have locked their keys inside and

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Rincover Says A.S. Must Orient to Student Needs

By CHARLIE SAYLES
Staff Writer

"Student government should be more orientated to the needs of the students," said Associated Students President Neil Rincover, "This

semester we have a good coalition of experience along with new faces and new ideas."

Rincover is now in his third semester on council, and this semester he feels the talents blend

together making Executive Council "an effective lobbying group for the students."

Farhad Gharagozlu, A.S. vice-president and chairman of the Internal Organization Committee, feels IOC is also a voice of the students. "IOC represents the student body better than ASO," he said. "I remained as vice-president because I think I got IOC on the right track last semester. With that base, I will be able to make it work more like a legislative body. IOC won't be left out or stepped on by ASO."

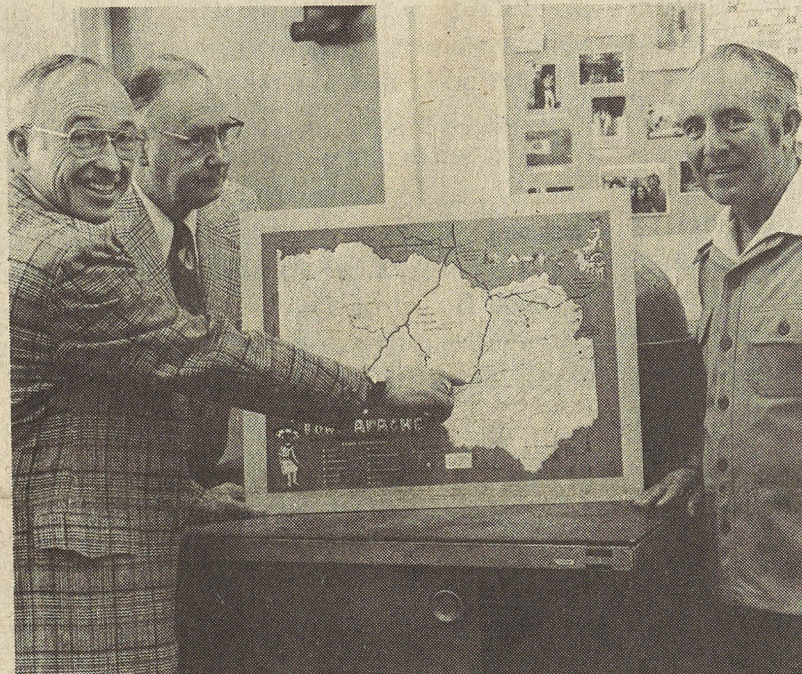
Although there are two legislative committees, it is the Executive Council that controls the budget that now exceeds \$300,000. For this reason, council is constantly looking for ways to promote student response and participation.

"The students don't realize how important the budget is," said Treasurer Marcy Meyer, "Activities, athletics, programs, commissions, projects, and department speakers are all funded by the associated students."

"We have to make ID more desirable," said Cherrie Fryman, commissioner of records, who chairs, to paid ID committee. "It is more than just a parking sticker. If nobody bought paid ID's, we wouldn't be able to put on any activities."

Trying to make students aware of their paid ID and their representative government is a task for all members. Ginny Beals, commissioner of public relations, initiated a "General Information Store" to allow students an opportunity

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PLOTTING FOR THE FUTURE, Professor of Earth Sciences Dr. James Slosson and assistants Homer Anderson and Bob Stuart inspect a map of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation in an attempt to improve land usage to generate added revenues for the Indians.

Valley Star Photo by Sam Warner

First Action Plan Offered

The Los Angeles Community College District's first formal Affirmative Action Program was presented to the Board of Trustees for discussion yesterday.

Defining hiring goals, implementation and monitoring plans, and personnel policy requirements, the 100 page program proposal is designed to bring the District in line with changes in Presidential Executive Order 11246 and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which require "adoption of an action-oriented Affirmative Action Program."

Yesterday's presentation was the first of what may be many open discussions of the program according to Eugene Phelps, director of the LACCD's Office of Human Development.

"There may be some things we will have to smoothe out," said Phelps, confident there would be no major changes.

Board member Frederic Wyatt said prior to the presentation that he supported the program as one centered on "accomplishment rather than window dressing."

Disiring the program not become an ineffective "library piece," Wyatt said, "It might be refined, but I would see no problem with implementation."

Sylvia Lubow, Valley representative on the advisory committee which produced the program, explained there should be no problem with acceptance as long as "people understand the program is required by law."

While seeking to "eliminate any employment discrimination," the objective as defined in the proposal is to "bring the District work force into balance with that of the appropriate labor market."

Using the 1970 U.S. Census and the Manpower Information for Affirmative Action Programs compiled by the California Employment Development Department, the program establishes hiring goals for the District.

"Goals are not quotas. These are goals to be reached for," said Ms. Lubow. "The Affirmative Action Program says good faith efforts will be made. It does not establish penalties for not achieving them."

Grad Petitions Due

Tomorrow, Feb. 27, 4 p.m. is the deadline for filing petitions for graduation on June 18, 1976 (Spring '76 semester). Petition forms are available in the Credit Office, Room 124 in the Administration Building.

Establishing hiring goals of 10 percent for Blacks, 10 percent for Chicano/Hispanic, 4 percent for American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian, and Pacific Islander, and 40 percent for women, the program explains, "These goals are to be considered specific measures against which progress toward a more equitable employment picture will be evaluated and not upper and lower limits."

Utilizing a work force analysis of the ethnic make-up of the District's present employees, the program establishes underrepresented job categories.

Taking into consideration low anticipated turnover rates, low availability in the relevant area, and overutilization of other groups, the program sets forth specific goals to be achieved within five years.

Where turnover rate or availability is a factor, the specific goal of the five year period is often below that of the overall desired percentage.

Ms. Lubow explained this is not preferential hiring. "Affirmative Action is good faith efforts at recruitment, development of opportunities for career ladders, and establishment of a concerned committee to ensure that discrimination is not a factor."

Club Day Snowballing

Preparations for Club Day, scheduled for March 4 are officially underway, with the San Fernando Valley and early California history the theme.

IOC secretary Tisa Haines, has been named Club Day Chairman. Her primary duties will be organizing and assigning booths to the various clubs.

According to Ms. Haines, applications for booth locations should be turned in by noon tomorrow, with three preferred locations indicated. Information will be in the club's boxes by 1 p.m. next Monday.

"There are six prime booth locations," she said. "These have electrical outlets and clubs needing such locations should get their booth requests in as soon as possible."

According to her, clubs wishing to work on their

various projects can use the club work room. It is open in the mornings and the key is in the possession of Mrs. Eve Levine, CC100, for clubs wishing to use the room in the afternoon.

"Everyone using the room must sign in and out. We have to show administration we are making proper use of the facility," said Ms. Haines. "Otherwise, they will use the room for other purposes."

In order to publicize Club Day 15 seconds of air time on KVCM, Valley's radio station, will be allotted to each club. KVCM will start broadcasting March 1.

Ms. Haines, who belongs to the Overeaters Anonymous Club said literature pertaining to that club will be available as well as individuals recovering from overeating to relate their experiences.

The public Relations Club plans on featuring the same thing as last semester: A Kissing Booth and a Human Coke Machine. In addition, they are going to try to get Dr. Dodson, curator of the LAVC Historical Museum, to lend them artifacts from the museum.

In addition to the ski ramp, a part of every semester's exhibit, the Ski Club plans a reenactment of Old California Day, featuring a gold miner and someone skiing down the ramp.

Tentatively, the journalism honorary society, Beta Phi Gamma, plans to take old-fashion photographs to be developed on the spot. The charge will be a quarter.

The Science Fiction Club, just forming, also has tentative plans. According to Bill Sides, who is organizing the club, old magazines and Star Trek models will be among the displays.

According to Ms. Haines the judging panel will consist of five persons: Fine Arts Commissioner Max Jamison, Social Activities Commissioner Anna Winicki, a student at large, a faculty and administration representative.



AFTER the fall, participants in the Ski Club's demonstration gain added insight into the phrase "It's all downhill from here."

Valley Star photo by Jennifer Gardiner



BEFORE preparations for Club Day are complete, Ski Club Vice President Jim Loveless will have turned this maze of lumber into a ski slope.

Valley Star photo by Michelle Meredith

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STAR EDITORIALS

Expanded Health Care Needed

Much has changed since June 1949 when Valley College was established adjacent to Van Nuys High School.

Grown from its original 440 students to 1003, in 1951 Valley moved to its present site. On its 25th anniversary in 1974 it boasted a student population of 18,500 day and evening students supported by a faculty and staff of 525.

Growth has included expansion of the Library to include the multi-media Learning Center, along with the Campus Center with its multi-purpose auditorium, Monarch Hall, and the Women's Gym.

Near realization are the \$390,000 swimming pool and \$80,000 bathhouse. A \$25,000 solar heater and \$30,000 wading pool may also be part of the pool facility.

Farther in the future, but with money already committed, is the \$6.6 million Cultural Center.

Yet, with an apparent "edifice complex," while facilities have expanded and will continue to expand, services have not.

With a present student population of over 25,000 the medical attention available to Valley students consists of a part-time doctor and a full-time nurse. Necessarily, what the college loosely calls "Health Service" is limited to performing physicals for athletes and to treating minor on-campus injuries which occur during the day-time hours. The "service" is not even extended to the nearly 9,000 night students.

Other examinations, and the treatment and prevention of illness, must be referred to county-run clinics whose cost is often beyond the students' economic reach.

While Star supports Valley Nurse Mary Sheriff's efforts to have the County return

to a pay-what-you-can pro-rata scale for students, instead of requiring that they file and qualify for Medi-Cal, we believe the college health service should be updated, and should reflect the needs of today's students and the importance of student health to student achievement.

The LACCD transition to independence from the Unified School District did not include restructuring what would be considered "Health Service." Instead on-campus health care today remains the same as that offered dependent elementary and secondary school children, who are expected to be covered by family medical insurance.

While Valley will soon offer its students a major-medical insurance package covering major illnesses for \$67, this does little to alleviate the cost of routine office visits.

The state university system, on the other hand, has several full-time doctors per campus, treatment for both injury and illness, prescription of drugs, and complete gynecological care, including that required for birth control. The LACCD's nine campuses and estimated 137,000 students are "cared for" by five doctors and 10 nurses.

Average age and the proportion of self-supporting students have both increased drastically since the District gained its independence. The composition of the student body and, as a result, its needs have equally changed.

Star, witnessing the commitment of over \$7 million of facilities expansion over the next seven years on its campus alone, believes the Los Angeles Community College Board of Trustees should seriously consider restructuring the health service available to its students.



LETTERS TO THE STAR

A National Responsibility

Editor,

Like Paul Revere, when he rode to tell the colonists, 200 years ago, the British were coming, we, the veterans, now say there is a new bill in the House, and we need your letters to our Congressmen or Senator. Let's let them know that we as veterans, need any and all bills that will help us with our benefits.

As John F. Kennedy said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." Now that we have served our country, it is time that our country tried to help us.

Let's all write that letter and let them know that they should support bills that will help the veterans. Remember, this is an election year and they need our votes. Let's declare this Bicentennial year, for the veterans.

Presently Bill No. S969 by Senator Alan Cranston of California and Senator Vance Hartke of Indiana is before the Armed Services Committee.

Kenneth Cotta

Editor,

The Office of Student Affairs has scheduled some lectures in Monarch Hall this week given by representatives of a contemporary pseudoscientific cult, Dianetics. The Psychology Department has nothing to do with these lectures and Dianetics has nothing to do with legitimate scientific inquiry.

But, the appearance of these emissaries of nonsense on our campus comes at a particularly opportune time for my own introductory psychology classes where we are currently discussing pre-scientific and pseudo-scientific thinking in an introductory unit on scientific method. The Dianetics lectures will provide some concrete demonstration and illustration of one modern pseudoscience which has gathered a following large enough to make its

founder L. Ron Hubbard a wealthy man.

Anyone interested in an objective history of the Dianetics movement and its offspring, Scientology, another big money maker for Hubbard, will enjoy reading the chapters on Dianetics and Scientology in Martin Gardner's "Fads and Fallacies in the Name of Science" and Christopher Evans' "Cults of Unreason."

Perhaps we can look forward to visits from other purveyors of "systematized ignorance" in future years under the sponsorship of the Office of Student Affairs. There are any number of astrologers, for example, in the Los Angeles area who would be very pleased to have the use of Monarch Hall to sell their services to our student body.

Sincerely,
Pat Blakeslee
Professor Psychology Dept.

Editor,

I would sincerely like to thank the Star for their endorsement of the proposal submitted before the Board of Trustees regarding their strict hiring policies of ex-offenders. The editorial was beautifully written and eloquently expressed the feelings I found so difficult to put into words.

I would be remiss, however, if I did not mention that the presentation before the Board would not have been possible without the encouragement and help extended to me by Dr. Alice J. Thurston, Dr. Reiter, Jeanne Pons, Billy Reed, executive council, Charlie Sayles and now I can add to that long list, the Valley Star. Let us hope that we are not alone in our recognition of this harmful form of discrimination, and that we shall soon see the culmination of our efforts in a positive response from the Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,
Linda Bawcom

COMMENTARY

High Court Avoids Spending Questions

Does unlimited campaign spending equal freedom of speech? Or is it merely a thinly disguised means of purchasing political office?

The Supreme Court recently agreed to make this distinction in a case concerning provisions of the federal campaign spending law.

In handing down their decision, the high court not only managed to completely avoid the question, but they further confused the issues surrounding an already poorly understood law.

Their decision left intact the limit on campaign contributions and the provisions for matching public funds in presidential campaigns.

However, the court drew a fine line—an impossible distinction—between campaign contributions and campaign spending.

It is now legal for any American to spend as much money as he wants on the candidate of his choice. But he has to do this spending on his own—without contributing cash directly to the candidate and without telling the candidate of his expenditures.

This practice will surely invite abuses of the law. The candidate can

merely tell his rich friends to campaign on their own rather than contribute the money directly as would have been the case in the past.

KEVIN GRABLE

Managing Editor



The ensuing court cases could be interesting but will more than likely be ominous reflections of the Watergate hearings. (To the best of your recollection, did President Ford know of your campaign expenditures, and it is not true that conversations between the President and yourself were tape-recorded?)

In a law that was meant to induce honesty, the Supreme Court has opened a loophole that will surely bring even more dishonesty to the American political arena.

Opponents of campaign spending limitations equate unlimited spending with freedom of speech. By limiting the size of contributions, they say, the government limits the candidate's First Amendment right to express his views to the people.

Most agree that some form of public campaign funds are necessary to put a floor on spending—to make sure that all candidates are heard.

Campaign spending law proponents say all candidates deserve to be heard, but the more well-to-do entries should not be allowed to drown out those with smaller budgets. They favor "equality of speech" as well as freedom of speech.

Considering the fact that the vast majority of political funding comes from a small, select group of wealthy individuals, a limit on the size of contributions does not seem unreasonable.

However, careful protection of the First Amendment rights involved should also be taken into consideration.

The situation as it now stands totally is unacceptable. Supreme Court decisions have been bad in the past, but this one should win an award.

They have said, in effect, that any citizen, no matter what his socioeconomic background, has the inalienable right to go out and spend \$100,000 or more for the candidate of his choice.

VIEWPOINT

Gun Control Laws: Lives in Balance

Death can be as far away as the stars or as close as your family. Death has again invaded my life. A friend of mine has been seriously shot, his brother is dead.

My friend has had one operation for removal of bone fragments. One lung was partially collapsed.

ROBERT GALIN
Assoc.
News Editor



As in thousands of other such incidents, a gun has become the cause of family sorrow. Death has struck a deciding blow.

Death for any reason is sad and senseless; brother shooting brother defies all logic. I have known my friend since elementary school; we have been classmates almost all the time since then. I have stopped to talk to him here on the Valley College campus. I know his girlfriend.

Time after time I have opposed possession of guns for moral reasons. Now I know I will never live easy until some controls are legislated.

Despite what gun proponents assert, the second amendment does not permit the possession of guns by the individual. Instead it allows for a well regulated militia, which is the National Guard. Most killings are not crime related, they are in fact mostly between friends and relatives, most are not planned.

There are no needs for guns. They are meant exclusively for killing and that is exactly what they do. Killing anything is sadistic. Letting a son and brother die is heathenistic. Guns are not needed for our per-

sonal freedoms anymore. Freedom is maintained through fighting politically. If war should ever come to pass the individuals in our society would not get a chance to shoot the "enemy." Nuclear bombs make handguns useless.

I propose licensing of all guns such as is required to drive a motor vehicle. Proving knowledge of use and care is at least a small step toward civility. I would prefer stronger measures, but I know that some people love their guns.

The tragedy of my friend will long be remembered by his family and close friends.

Must we all live in fear of somebody being shot by a loved one? In our society where sex is considered evil and guns are accepted as useful, I will constantly fear for my family.

I will be damned if I will ever let a gun enter my household.

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PERSONALITY

Valley Graduate Returns as the Cookie Man

By ANNETTE ALVIDRES
Feature Editor

Bill Hoston graduated from Valley College in June 1975 a business major.

He's back again this semester, still a business major.

Only this time, it's not to learn but to make money.

His business venture is edible and students purchasing his product in the cafeteria are helping to keep him where he is today.

Hoston is a salesman for Magic Apple Bakery and the Valley College Cafeteria is one of his clients. More than just a middleman, he assists in the production of carob cookies and coconut-oatmeal raisin cookies to be sold to Valley.

But Magic Apple Bakery provides the main ingredient for his own company, Magic Apple Natural Foods.

He is a one-man business, packaging and creating health food sandwiches, and delivering them himself to restaurants and colleges.

The common ingredient in each of Hoston's sandwiches is the baker's whole wheat-molasses bread, and each has tomato and alfalfa sprouts.

His creations include vegetarian turkey made with turkey flavored vegetable pro-

tein, raw milk cheddar cheese, and mayonnaise; avocado-tomato with salt and mayonnaise; and tuna with lettuce.

Averaging sales of over a hundred sandwiches a day, Hoston

claims that business has been so successful, and profits so high, that it may be time to hire help to keep the clients he has happy and be able to take on new customers too.

But starting his business was not at all what he originally had in mind for his future.

When Hoston was still at Valley College, he had been looking in the Placement Office for a job. Magic

Apple was advertising for a truck driver, the perfect job it seemed to Hoston, for the hours were excellent leaving him time for his education.

But that didn't work either, because between the time he saw the ad and applied for the job, he suffered leg injury and was unable to walk.

Several months after his accident, Magic Apple called Hoston and offered him a job as a busboy.

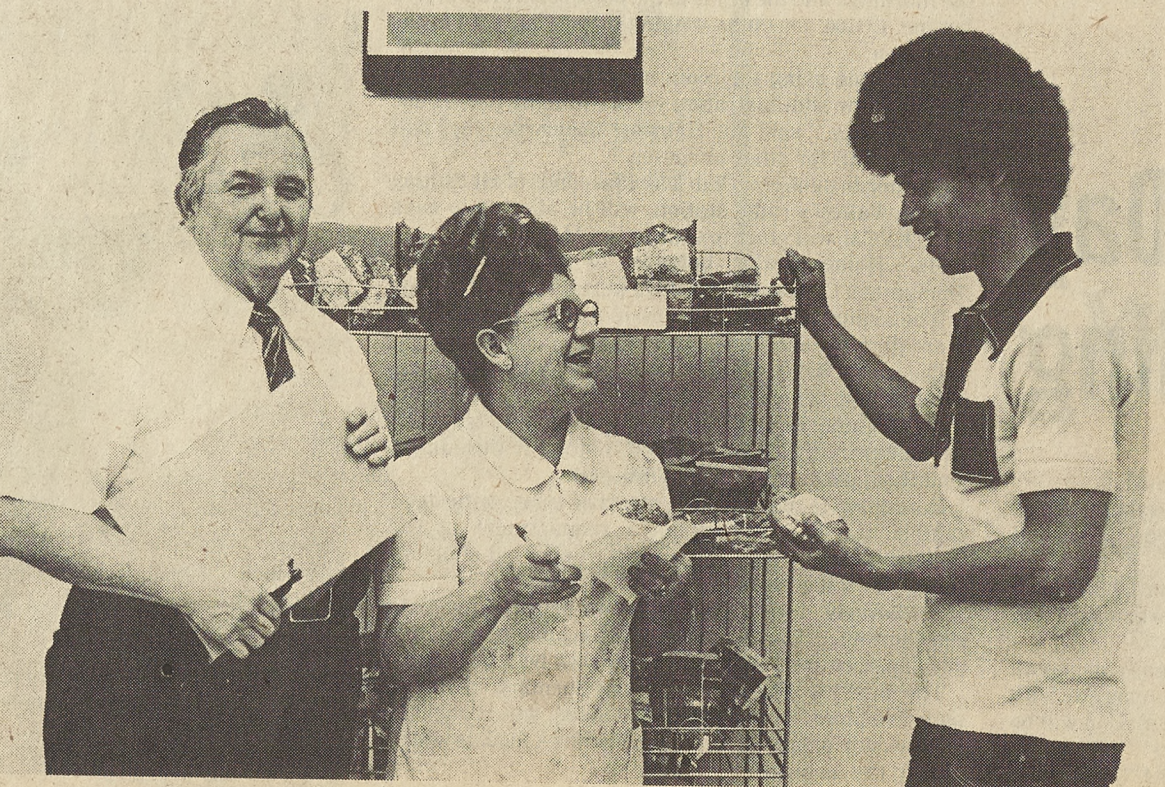
Having little experience in the field and still wearing a cast, Hoston accepted the position in slight fear, but not without confidence.

"I fell in love with the people there," he smiles reminiscently. "They were always willing to help me while I had my cast on."

After his leg healed the truck driving job opened again. Finding that he needed more time for school, he took the position and eventually his employers informed him that they were selling the sandwich company.

That was two months ago. Hoston took over sales and manufacturing and since then has added to his list of clients.

Through folds of lettuce and the future's promises, there will be a place for Hoston in "health food heaven."



BUSINESS MAJOR BILL HOSTON (right) examines some of his wares with Cafeteria Manager Jim Loss and Assistant Manager

Lena Berger. Hoston sells cookies and sandwiches to the Valley College Cafeteria.

Valley Star photo by Gary Fata

Handgun Control Petition

Valley College students and others who want to sign the gun control petition, that is designed for the November ballot, may do so on March 4, at 11 a.m. in Humanities 114. The petition is part of a state-wide campaign to secure a half-million signatures.

"The Bad Children"

"The Bad Children," a tale of Hansel and Gretel, will be presented by the Theater Arts Department in the Little Theater, beginning on February 28, 29 and on March 6, 7. Showtimes are 1, 3 and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday and at 1 and 3 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$1.50 for students and 50 cents for children under 14. For more information call 781-1200, Ext. 319.

Grad Petitions Due

Tomorrow at 4 p.m. is the deadline for filing petitions for graduation for Spring '76. Petitions are available in the Credit Office, Room 124 of the Administration Building.

Earthquake Victims

The club M.E.C.H.A. is now taking clothes, canned goods and other non-perishable foods for the victims of the Guatemalan earthquake. Students are requested to bring all items to the Chicano Studies Department.

Learning Workshop

Today at 11 a.m. in the Learning Center of the library building is the workshop "Listening Effectively." Tuesday the topic will be "Notetaking for Lectures."

American Issue Forum

An American Issue Forum, "The Business of America," will be presented today in Monarch Hall at 2 p.m. The forum is sponsored by Community Services and A.S.O.

Bicentennial Forum

Today from 2 to 4 p.m. in Monarch Hall the fifth Bicentennial Town Meeting will take place with three speakers. The forum is presented jointly by the Community Services and ASO.

Planetarium

The planetarium series will continue tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m. with "The Nine Planets—Ring Around The Sun," in the college planetarium. Karen Kwitner will be lecturer.

Desert Lecture

Tuesday "The California Deserts: Fauna and Flora" lecture will be held in the Math-Science Building Room 109 at 11 a.m. The speaker will be George R. Stuart.

Learn To Cope

Develop increased information and understanding by working with other people in a group. Students can share feelings of personal concern. Call Counselor Mike Saluzzi in the Office of Admissions and Guidance, Administration Building, ext. 267.

"Free Road"

The Latin American Organization will present a dance featuring "Free Dance," and "Ace," on March 5, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in Monarch Hall. The fee of \$3 will be donated for L.A.V.C. Scholarship Funds.

Reward—Lost Book

A sketch book was lost in the art department. It is a black hardcover book with two years worth of sketches. There is a \$25 reward for the return of it. Contact Dale Fulkerson in Art 105A, ext. 430.



HANGMEN PREPARE FOR their next victim in the film "El Santo." The film, Mexico's entry in the XXVII Cannes Festival, is set in sixteenth century Mexico during the Inquisition.

The film deals with the prosecution of the Carvajal family, accused of Judaizing and of harboring unrepentant Jews. "El Santo" was directed by the famous Arturo Ripstein, and it

will be narrated in Spanish with English subtitles.

Sponsored jointly by both the Chicano Studies and Jewish Studies Departments, the film will be shown at the La Reina Theater, 14626 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks. It will be presented March 4-5 and will run 3:30-5:30 each day.

Psychiatrist Stresses New Method of Reading Books

By KEITH FIELD
Staff Writer

It was standing room only at last Thursday's Learning Center workshop when Fred Hollander, counseling psychiatrist at UCLA, spoke on a new method for reading math and science textbooks.

Hollander's method stress a primary "cursory" reading of each topic before it is lectured on in class. From this hurried reading (Hollander suggests a page per minute) the student should be able to

grasp the theme and general concepts involved.

According to Hollander, the mistake most students make is in attempting to extract these concepts from graphs and mathematical formulas.

"Formulas are a shorthand method for explaining elaborate verbal concepts, concepts that will be found comprehensively written out in the text."

Armed with this preliminary knowledge, the student will have greater insight into the lecture. New information presented will detail and clarify these outlined concepts.

Sometime after the lecture, the student is to carefully re-read the chapter, this time paying close attention to all detail. One should find that instead of his lecture notes bring a summary of the topic, they become a commentary to the text.

In this second, comprehensive

reading, the student should avoid hour after hour of uninterrupted study. Hollander referred to the "efficiency threshold" as the point beyond which reading becomes a mechanical process, and retention is lost.

Educational Services Offered by Center

Staffed primarily by student workers, the Learning Center is Valley's most student-involved instructional facility.

The Center, providing a multitude of educational services, has had 6,000 visitors this semester, an increase of 40 percent.

Although stocked with an abundance of various teaching machines

and a library of audio and video tapes, Noel Korn, coordinator of the Center, emphasized, "It's not enough just to have machines. We're trying to upgrade the one-to-one relationship with students."

In addition to the many prepared audio-visual assistance programs, the Center offers, free of charge, department approved tutors, and variety of workshops covering everything from notetaking to preparing for finals.

If you are taking a television credit course and miss a program, you'll find it at the Learning Center on video tape.

Special programs for the disabled and for foreign students are available. Those wishing to improve their reading or writing skills will find a plethora of assistance at the Center.

By RAY RICHMOND
Assoc. Sports Editor

Outstanding!

That's the only way to describe Valley's Forensics Squad, who completed their qualifying tournaments for the Junior College National Championship Tournament with a great number of 17 qualifying spots earned by the team.

The team had five speakers win championship awards during a two day competition at Cerritos College last Friday and Saturday.

Among the winners at Norwalk was the consistently fine Saeda Walimohammed, who tied for first in the informative event. Debra McLean placed third in oral interpretation of literature. Tim Hodge placed second in persuasive interpretation, and Bill Stack took third in communication analysis.

In his first attempt, Norm Wegener copped second place in the speech to entertain.

Once again, the Readers Theatre adaptation of, "The Little Prince" received favorable ratings.

Finalists in the championship division were Gary Lloyd in persuasion and communication analysis, Jon Rosenman in informative speaking, Tim Hodge in communication analysis, and Wendy Reuben in the speech to entertain.

Valley's speakers nearly got third place in the tourney, missing by two points. But they did win a fourth place sweepstakes award, which was quite respectable in the competitive, 27 school tournament.

On Feb. 13-14, the team traveled to Cal State L.A. and won a third place sweepstakes award, beating such university powerhouses as USC, UCLA, Stanford, and San Diego State.

The Monarchs succeeded in winning the informative event, and placed second overall. Ms. Walimohammed won the event, and Arnie Rosenthal was runner-up.

Finalists were Ms. Walimohammed, once again, in persuasive speaking. Sandy Reimer competed as a finalist in informative speaking, along with Ron Warton. Mike Nilson was a semi-finalist in extemporaneous speaking.

George Patsic, Forensics Director, showed excitement when discussing his troops.

"This team has shown great results thus far, but the biggest challenges face them in the State Tourney at Orange Coast College at the end of March. Also, the National Championships for Junior Colleges over Easter vacation in Chicago will give everyone a challenge."

Dr. Thurston Cites Need For Colleges

By JIM RAHM
Staff Writer

"Community colleges exist to help students," said Dr. Alice Thurston, president of Valley College, who participated in a College Board-Community College forum at the Kellogg Center-West in Pomona last week.

The forum, entitled "The Student and the Institution in Educational Decision Making" dealt with students and their role in making decisions and also the colleges need to expand the learning centers to meet the student needs.

Dr. Thurston told the audience in her speech that students should play an active part in today's college system. One of the main problems that she emphasized was that "many students on campus are not aware of the sources of help which are available."

Speaking about alternatives of help to students, she pointed out to the members on the panel that a student once told her, "I don't think we have any" (alternatives).

The fact is, we do have options. Valley has excellent library facilities on campus and it's completely at the student's disposal. We also have an Audio-Visual Center to aid students in fields that they are having difficulties.

Dr. Thurston also stressed the ability of students to make decisions. Furthermore, she said it would be advantageous for the students to use the learning centers around campus because they are open to everyone and mainly because it's free.

In addition, Dr. Thurston told members of the forum that it would be in the colleges self-interest to expand their learning centers and this in turn would immensely benefit the student.

She concluded, "many of the needed elements are already available on our campuses or could easily be added with little expense. This task seems worth doing."

5th Consecutive Year

Star Wins State-Wide Honor

For the fifth year in a row, the Valley Star has been cited for general excellence by the California Newspaper Publishers Association.

Finishing second behind East Los Angeles College in the state wide competition, Valley's paper continued its award-winning ways at the CNPA's annual convention in San Diego.

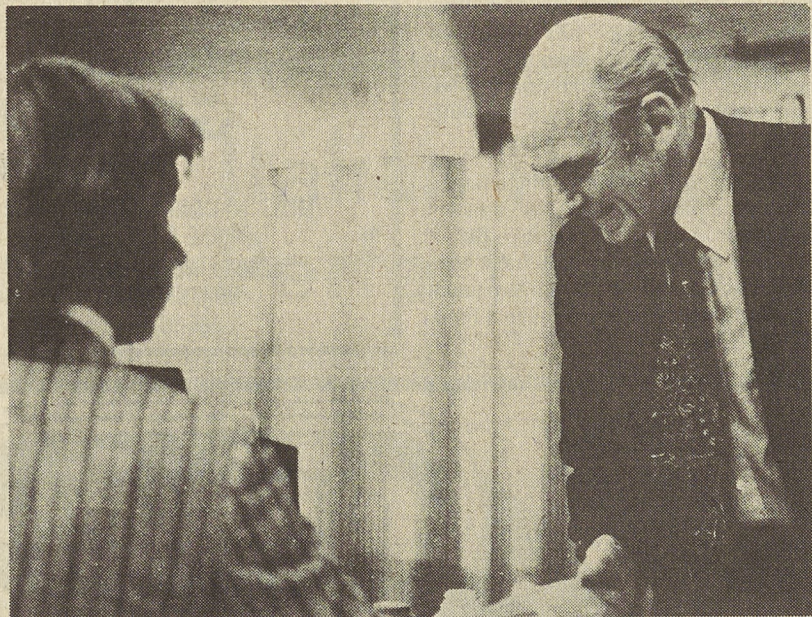
Star Managing Editor Kevin Grable accepted the award for the Star from Robert L. Cribb, publisher of The Daily News in Camarillo.

The convention was highlighted by a speech delivered by Senator Alan Cranston, who discussed the President's new proposals for control of intelligence agencies and secrecy.

The senator explained that one of the provisions of the new law would institute an oath of secrecy for employees of the federal government.

He deplored this move, stating federal employees have the right to communicate with Congress and the press to expose any wrongdoings that may be kept under wraps by the secrecy stamp.

Cranston also talked about Senate Bill 1, a revamping of the federal criminal code. He stated it had "no chance of passage in its present form" because of strict regulations



DISCUSSING Senate Bill 1 with Senator Alan Cranston is Star Managing Editor Kevin Grable. Cranston spoke at the California Newspaper Publishers Association convention in San Diego last Friday.

on the disclosure of government information. The Star has historically placed

high in CNPA competition, placing either first or second 10 of the last 12 years.

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Four Straight Losses Skids Cagers to Halt

By MIKE BIRDS
Staff Writer

Pasadena City College overcame an early Monarch lead in the first half, and then rolled over Valley, 55 to 49, last Friday night.

The Monarchs who also dropped a decision earlier in the week to El Camino 69-65 couldn't seem to get going long enough to sustain any kind of attack.

For Valley, last Friday's loss was

the fourth straight such frustration, leaving the Monarchs tied for fourth place in the Metro Conference.

Michael Jones, who scored 20 points in Valley's loss to El Camino, tried to get the Monarchs moving in the second stanza as he stole the ball and scored.

Lionie Buckner then grabbed a rebound and took it all the way to score to keep Valley's short rally going.

Jones got another chance and scored again to bring the Lions within two points, 41-39.

The Lancers scored quickly to expand their lead, but Paul Posthumus, who had not scored in several attempts in the first half dumped in two points with a jump shot.

Derek Simien, who also had not been heard from in the first half, scored immediately after Posthumus to keep the Monarchs in the game.

It looked as though there might be a chance for the Lions as Pasadena turned the ball over on a team foul with six minutes still showing on the clock, but the Lancers recovered quickly and scored.

The next two minutes were hectic as the ball changed hands several times, and both teams fired shots from the floor that either fell short or went wide and off the backboard.

Buckner was grabbing the rebounds and feeding off but his teammates couldn't seem to find the range and didn't score.

With four minutes remaining in the game, the Monarchs got the ball again when the Lancers threw the ball out into the lion bench.

The Monarchs couldn't score this time and called for time out with two minutes left and the Lancers leading 51 to 45.

When play resumed, Buckner was hot as he made two field goals to round out the Monarch's offensive punch for the night.

Although it looked like Valley might have been able to come from behind and carry the game away, the Lancers stole the ball away twice and then stalled to victory.

Valley enters their season finale when they host Mission College, tomorrow night at 8 p.m.

Sports Menu

BASKETBALL—Feb. 27, Mission at Valley, 8:00.

BASEBALL—Feb. 26, Pierce at Valley, 2:30; Feb. 28, at El Camino, 1:30; March 2, East L.A. at Valley, 2:30.

GOLF—Feb. 27, El Camino at Wilson, 1:00; March 1, Antelope Valley at Harding, 1:00.

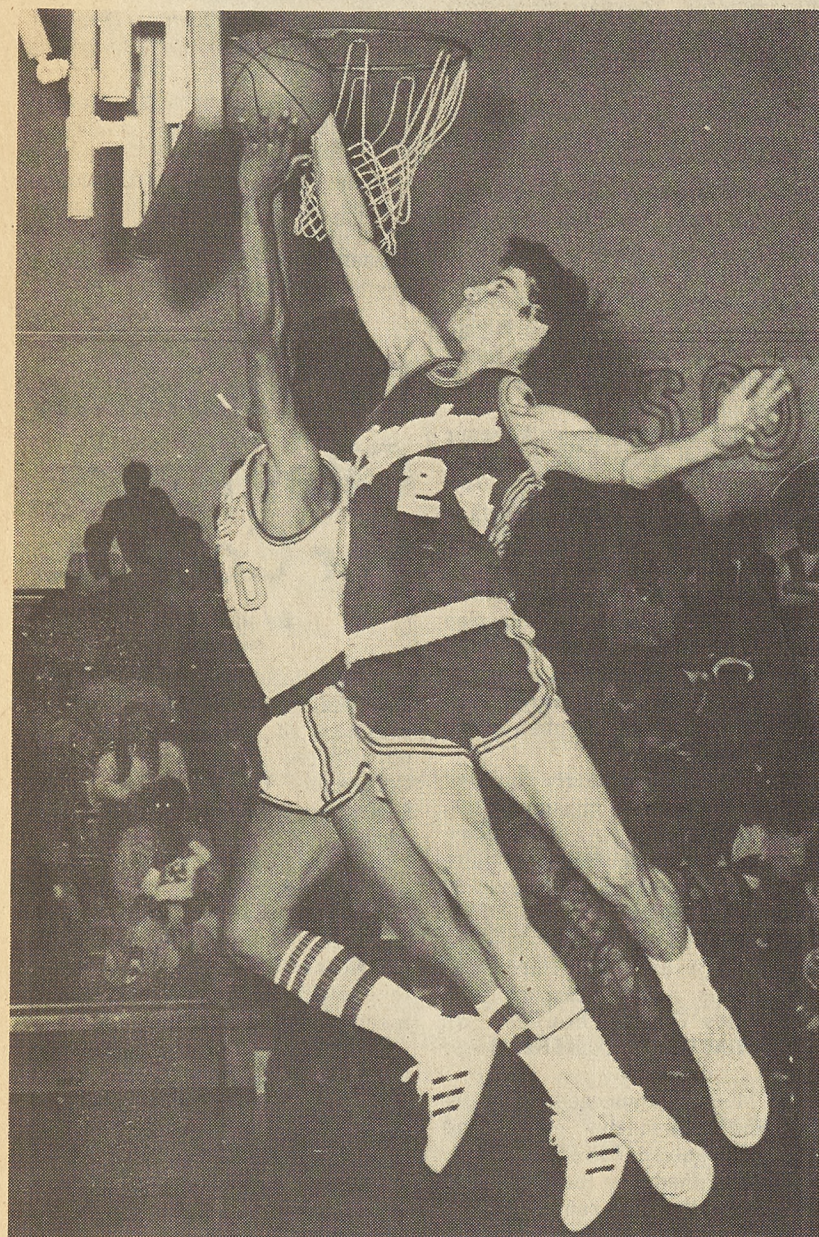
TENNIS—Feb. 27, at Pierce, 2:30; March 3, El Camino at Valley, 2:30.

TRACK—Feb. 27, East L.A. at Valley, 2:00.

SWIMMING—Feb. 27, at Bakersfield, 3:00.

WRESTLING—Feb. 28, Southern California Regionals El Camino.

VOLLEYBALL—Feb. 26, Santa Monica at Valley, 3:00.



MONARCH GUARD MIKE "MONTY" MONTGOMERY goes in for a layup in recent basketball action, but to no avail, as Pasadena City College player Gil Baker puts the ball back the other way.

Valley Star photo by Pat Bower

'Top Ten in Nation,' Says Netmen Coach

By STEVE TULLY
Staff Writer

"I'd rate us in the top ten in the nation—including four year schools."

Pretentious? Perhaps, if one were speaking of Valley College football or basketball. But if the subject is men's volleyball and the speaker is Valley head coach Rick Beress, it may be nothing more than a statement of fact.

Coming off a better than average season last year, finishing third in a strong Metropolitan Conference, Beress obviously expects nothing less than a league championship this season.

Already posting impressive victories over both Santa Barbara and Loyola, the volleyball team seems well on its way to achieving that goal if by nothing more than talent alone. Inexperience, though, could be a factor as only two veterans are returning from last year's team. Beress, however, doesn't seem particularly worried by this apparent weakness.

"We've had a good recruiting year," he explains. "We have some very capable players in Steve Rapaport, Bob Lucharelli, Bill Kinzel, Chet Page, and others."

Beress, who along with coaching at Valley for four years has been a member of the United States Volleyball Association for ten years,

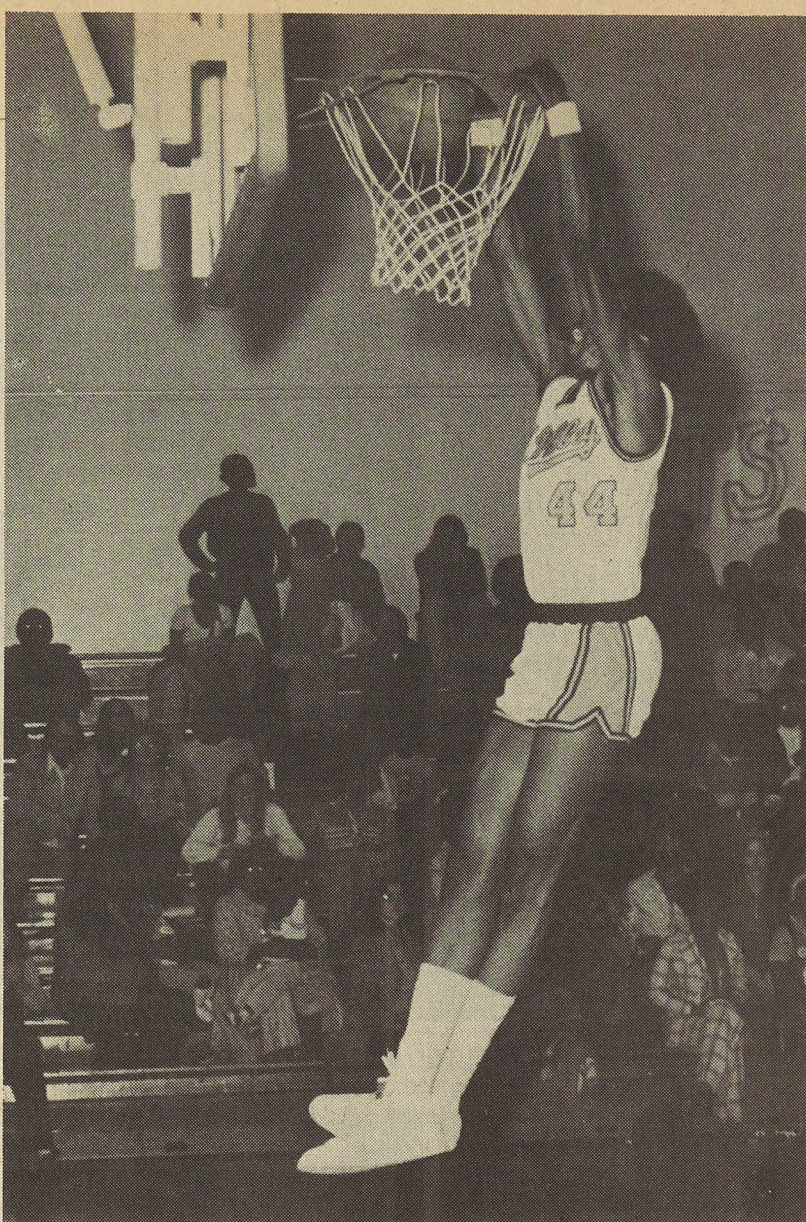
sees volleyball in the United States as a sport in the process of evolution. Players are bigger, the offense is quicker, the opportunity for scholarships and even professional contracts is expanding, and rules are being revised constantly for the improvement of the game.

However, there are two major obstacles which must be overcome before the United States can compete effectively on an international level.

First of all, the sport must be introduced earlier to school age children. The fact is, most of Beress' athletes have never competed seriously in volleyball before coming to Valley. Some effective program must be set up in junior high and high school.

Secondly, as in all sports, the Olympic Committee must revise its position concerning professionalism. "The Olympic Committee is archaic in its attitudes, in that athletes from other countries are subsidized while American athletes are not."

The problems of amateur athletics are many, and for now the future looks neither dim or bright. But as pro football coach, George Allen once said, "The future is now." And for Beress and his volleyballers, that future will culminate, at least temporarily, with the number one ranked junior college in the state, Santa Monica, today at Valley.



SLAM IT HOME—There's no doubt about it as center Michael Jones crashes the ball through the basket enroute to two of his ten points against Pasadena. Jones is making better than 65 percent of his shots in conference action.

Valley Star photo by Pat Bower

Spikers Stub Toes At Metro Relays

All is but a beginning the poet once said, and for Valley's track and field squad last Friday, no truer words were ever spoken.

Competing in their first meet of the year, Monarch spikers were beaten decisively, finishing last in a field of seven at the Metropolitan Conference Relays.

However, all was not lost on the El Camino College track as Valley did manage to win one event, the two mile run.

Gerardo Canchola's first place time of 9:20.5 paced the Valley victory as Rich Nance (9:24.5) copped second and Glen Bales (10:09) took 15th. Valley won the event with a combined low score of 18.

Scoring in track is figured by adding together a team's top three place finishers in any single event, low score winning. For example, if a school were to finish one, two, three in an event, their score would be six, obviously giving them the victory.

Since Valley failed to enter the necessary three competitors in any field event except the pole vault (in

which only one Monarch managed to clear a height), any team score was impossible. Individually though, Valley's Scott Bain turned in a fine 6'6" mark to place second in the high jump.

In the relays Valley enjoyed some limited success. The Monarch distance medley team (Novatny, Nance, Madvig, Canchola) finished third with a time of 10:29, while the 440 relay team (Wells, Duvernay, Billings, Trubenbach) was fifth at 44.1.

Although obviously disappointed by his team's dismal performance, head coach George Ker remained optimistic. "I'm not down at all," he declared. "You must remember we had eight key competitors out with either illness or injury."

Hopefully Ker will be able to field a healthy squad this Friday against East Los Angeles at Valley. But if injuries persist and bad luck continues to dog the team, Valley track and field fans could be in for a long, hard season.

SAIL PAST HARBOR

Gymnasts Sharp In Opening Win

By RAY RICHMOND
Assoc. Sports Editor

Valley's gymnastics team looked razor sharp in their first meet of the year last Friday as they sailed by L.A. Harbor College, 141.29-112.925.

Several athletes contributed to the host Monarchs' victory. In the free style event, Francisco Salazar took first with a 8.8 score. Jay Donaldson was second in 8.6, and Ron Freeman came in third, scoring 7.9.

In the pommel horse, the Monarch gym squad came in one-two. Rick Roy was first in 7.8, and Dave Moye was second in 7.6.

Valley took the first three spots on the rings. First place went to Neil (The Animal) Politz, who scored an 8.5. Robert Takayama and Lance Sand swept away second and third, scoring 8.4 and 7.95 respectively.

"Poltz' victory is especially significant since he just came off a bout with the flu," praised Monarch coach Gary Honjio. "Under the circumstances, he really performed admirably."

The LAVC gymnasts continued their domination over Harbor's Seahawks in the vaulting event. Ron Cagle copped first position in an 8.2 judging. Tony Garza grabbed second in 8.05.

Garza displayed his talent and versatility by taking a second in the parallel bars in 7.15, and also took a first in the high bar with an 8.5 score. Politz got third in the high bar at 6.45.

In the all-around score, Garza took first with a combined 38.35. Politz' combined score was good for second overall in 36.00.

"I'm really impressed with our squad," said Honjio. "Salazar did an excellent job in his free style routine, and Donaldson, although he was sick all week, did very well."

Honjio also said that Donaldson's routine was especially difficult, as he

topped it off with a one and a half Arabian dive roll.

Takayama, who was last year's City Champion at University High, is labled by Honjio as "a definite contender for the State Community College ring title."

The win puts Valley's record at 1-0, and drops Harbor to 0-1.

"Our squad really has excellent, potential and will be even better," Honjio replied. "Tony (Garza) and Neil (Poltz) came through well for us, and the rest of the squad really picked up the slack."

The Monarchs remain idle next week, and will continue competition March 5 when they travel to Fullerton. Starting time is 3 p.m.

Intramurals Set Events

Are you an armchair athlete or do you enjoy getting into the thick of the action? If you belong with the latter you can either wish you had participated or you can sign up for the spring intramural sport program at Valley College.

Intramural coordinator Steve Butler recently announced the agenda for the Spring '76 Intramural program. The semester will begin with a three-man basketball league and will be continued with volleyball, tennis, a marathon run, track events and a possible Superstars competition, much like the one recently staged by ABC television.

All events will take place during the 11:00 Tuesday-Thursday break. More information can be obtained by talking to Butler in the Men's Gym or by calling extension 205.

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Bad Kids Getting Along

By MARILYN PUZARNE
Assoc. Fine Arts Editor

Patrick Rainville and Julie Miller spend 12 hours a day together. But they just aren't themselves.

Rainville and Miller, Hansel and Gretel as they are known during those hours, spend their time together rehearsing for Valley College's Theater Arts production of "Bad Children" written by Shirley Jackson.

Unlike the grueling stories often heard about temperamental actors and nerve-wracking rehearsals, Miller and Rainville described the cast as a very tightly knit group "A family" and they both agreed that the amount of pressure that the cast is put under, unifies rather than fragments them.

Miller is basically a voice to the field of acting, unlike Rainville who has had several starring roles in productions at Valley as well as a few bit parts in movies for television, and her role as Gretel is her first starring part in a Theater Arts Drama production.



THE TEAM of Patrick Rainville and Julie Miller, Hansel and Gretel, who spend 12 hours a day rehearsing for "Bad Children" which opens Saturday, Feb. 28, continuing Sunday and the following weekend.

Valley Star photo by Tom Jagoe

Her first involvement with the Drama Department at Valley was not as an actress but rather as a stage crew member. At that time she had no intentions of going into acting but as she explained her plans quickly changed "I fell in love with the atmosphere."

Rainville entered the Theater Arts Drama Department in a much more direct manner, as he recognized his love for acting in high school where he performed in a wide variety of plays. Presently, the young actor is taking refresher courses at Valley where he has already received an AA degree. Although he plans to go into acting professionally he claimed "I have made no effort to break into professional business." He added his personal belief that an actor should thoroughly know his subject before he tries to sell his talents.

According to the two stars the hours spent rehearsing for "The Bad Children" is just the beginning of preparation for the opening show on February 28.

"Bad Children" is the first childrens show that either of the actors have ever performed in. As Rainville summarized it, the play is "surprising twist on a classic story."

As the two explained, the characters in this modern version of "Hansel and Gretel" are nothing like the conventional characters and it may just be this unique portrayal that makes Rainville claim, "The best thing about the show is that it is fun."

Choctaw-Cherokee Pursues Versatile Lifestyle, Career

By DARYLL GOINS
Staff Writer

"It's a long road from West Germany to California," said Silkirtis Nichols, a Choctaw-Cherokee Indian who is in his second semester at Valley College.

Before coming to California, Nichols had resided in West Germany for more than 20 years. While living in Germany he became involved in the world of show business. "I enjoy acting," said Nichols, "which is why I appeared in several plays where many of my lines were spoken in German."

"I left Germany because the land was very tight and small. California is much more open and very rewarding." Each day that Nichols is on campus he can be seen wearing several pieces of turquoise jewelry

which he and several of his friends designed.

"The eagle-claw earring that I sometimes wear is one of my more spectacular creations," he said with a smile. "Silver and turquoise jewelry has been around for at least 10 years but no one was interested in it. Now it's too expensive for the Indians to buy," he laughs.

Nichols attends many "Pow Wows" which are usually held every week. The "Pow Wows" are a form of socializing where Indians from all tribes come together and have fun. The versatile Nichols also teaches a craft class at Garfield Junior High, and when time permits he enjoys disco dancing.

"When a man reaches 52 years of age he is not capable of doing a lot of things. But I believe there is nothing wrong with trying." Nichols feels that television has delivered the wrong image of the Indian.

"Television shows the Indian as a person who is always looking around with an angry expression on his face," said Nichols. "This is really a stereotype picture, because Indians are one of the best type of people to know."

"They laugh, tell jokes, and really have fun." Nichols is pursuing a career in sociology and plans to attend Northridge or UCLA for further education after his completion at Valley. "I find it very rewarding meeting people which is why I chose sociology as my major," said Nichols, "because you meet various type of people each day, and people are what the world is about."



CHOCTAW-CHEROKEE, Silkirtis Nichols, craft class instructor and jewelry designer, displays some of his more exotic pieces of jewelry and Indian artifacts. Nichols, a sociology major at Valley, spent 20 years in Germany working as a stage actor before moving to California.

Valley Star Photo by Tom Jagoe

Film Depicts Ethic Codes

The grim dignity of Sardinia's people and their unshakable code of honor will be featured in "The Bandits of Orgosole," on March 4, at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. in Monarch Hall.

Comprised totally of native Sardinians, the semi-documentary tells about the harsh life of two young boys who, by their code of honor, harbour armed bandits.

Directed by Vittorio de Sica, the film was awarded a special prize at the Venice Film Festival in 1961.

Also on the program agenda is an animated cartoon entitled, "Self Service." The heroes of this cartoon are mosquitoes. This satirical film shows biting observations on human behavior and exploitations.

The film program is sponsored by the Italian Club with donations going to the Italian Film Scholarship Fund.

String Quartet To Perform

The sound of strings will fill Monarch Hall today at 11 a.m. as Murray Adler join in a violin concert.

Performing with the Concertmaster of San Fernando Valley Symphony Orchestra will be Jay Rosen, violin; Pamela Goldsmith, viola; and Frederick Seykora, cello.

Three pieces will be played by the quartet; Quartet No. 1 by Charles Ives; Quartet Opus No. 95 by Beethoven; and Quartet Opus No. 10 by Claude Debussy.

An all-Bach concert will be performed by the San Fernando Valley Symphony Friday evening at 8 in Monarch Hall. Leonard Rosen, whose score from "Barry Lyndon" was nominated for an Academy Award, will conduct the concert. Concert choir members from Pierce College will join the symphony.

'What's Up Josh?' Discusses Conflicts of Life, Philosophy

The exciting and thoroughly interesting film, "What's Up Josh?," deals with the problems of acceptance of self and life, which was shown Tuesday at 11 a.m. in Monarch Hall.

Josh McDowell is an evangelist who lectures at colleges about the revolutionism and humanism opposed to Christianity. He lectures about the resurrection of Jesus. To add to his talks, he shares his

testimony of his conversion to Christianity, how his behavior toward his father and other people changed from hatred to love.

Tom becomes confused with what Josh is relating, questioning the feasibility of the resurrection from a scientific point of view. Tom's roommate tries to help him overcome his difficulties by urging him to convert to Christianity. Tom becomes enraged at this suggestion, feeling even more confused when his girlfriend

wins a scholarship to Europe.

The film was very effective in bringing the problems of college life into view. Conflicts between friends often become cumbersome, but with the faith of friends even the most difficult parts of life can be overcome.

"What's Up Josh?" was sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ.

Delicious, Rich Italian Pasta Sets Mood for Perfect Meal

Editor's Note: This restaurant review is the first of a bi-monthly series encompassing the interesting and entertaining restaurants around Valley College.

By WILLETTA GRADY
Fine Arts Editor

Dimmed candlelight, soft music, secluded dining booths, and the rich aroma of Italian pasta set the scene for a lovely evening at Josphina's Restaurant.

Located at 13562 Ventura Blvd., Josphina's is a popular place to enjoy the delicious entrees prepared especially for the perfect evening.

While waiting to be seated one could relax at the bar or in the lounge. Once you are seated by the hostess, the waiter begins the excellent service with the ordering of cocktails, if desired. Soup or salad is then ordered and shortly served with delicious garlic bread.

Difficulty may be found when ordering the main meal. The menu

widely ranges from pizza to parmigiana. Sea foods are also available to please the palate.

One excellent dish is the chicken parmigiana. On a large hot platter the Italian meal is served. The rich and full aroma foretells of deliciously spicy delights.

Mozzarella cheese lies melted atop tender succulent chicken. Noodles in a thick spicy sauce surround the chicken.

Another fantastic entree is the eggplant parmigiana. The eggplant is soft and tender, smothered with an exquisite sauce and noodles.

Josephina's house wine is of excellent vintage. The burgundy wine has a full and rich bouquet.

Entertainment begins late in the evening. "Mik and Jari's" entertained the diners with Simon and Garfunkel songs, along with a few popular tunes.

When planning for such an evening one must allow at least one hour for eating. The pocketbook should be prepared for a dinner ranging from \$3.50 and up per person. Josephina's is an excellent Italian restaurant and worth the time and money.

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'Nine Planets' To Conclude

"Nine Planets: Ring Around the Sun," a lecture by Karen Kwitter will conclude its series this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Planetarium.

Artists' conceptions of the planets are included in the lecture to liven the imagination as the latest information is related to the viewer.

More interesting planetarium lectures are scheduled for the future.

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Learning Difficulties Corrected at Center

By KEITH FIELD
Staff Writer

With a tightening of school funds, how does Noel Korn, coordinator of the Learning Center, acquire the needed money for Valley's multifaceted instructional facility?

"Stealing is what it's called," Korn said with a smile. "Actually, it's a constant fight, all the departments need as much as they can get. We're no exception."

Korn started the Learning Center in 1960 with a couple of teaching machines and a bungalow. Now occupying the southern wing of the

Library Building, the Center was considered best in the state in a 1972 community college survey, and continues to be a model for other Learning Centers.

Many departments on campus currently have their own "mini-Learning Centers," but this semester, for the first time, they have been coordinated into a single group: eliminating unnecessary duplication.

Further recent changes include new instructors in chemistry, mathematics, anthropology, and English.

"We also have a new librarian, David May, who's putting together a unified audio-visual catalog of everything available, anywhere on campus."

However, the Center is not involved in just blind academics, there is a lot of work with counselors over individual student problems. The greatest hindrance in the student's ability to learn has thus far come from reading and writing difficulties.

"Statistics show that 50 percent of university students have problems with reading and writing. I would guess the figure here to be about 2/3. Korn explained that most textbooks are written at a 14th or 15th grade level, whereas the reading skills of most students lie at about the 9th grade level.

Students encountering such difficulties understandably feel distraught; many consider dropping out.

"Those are the people we really want to get to, because we can help them. The Center offers help to everyone, but helping those on the brink is our deepest concern."



BROADCASTING RESUMES FOR KVCM this Monday. The radio station can be heard in the cafeteria and soon in other parts of the campus. Ray Smith is practicing her broadcasting techniques for when the airwaves are again filled with music and features from KVCM.

Valley Star photo by Tom Jaeger

KVCM Returns To Air Monday

Talk shows, theater news, and music of the 50's are only a few things included in the program of KVCM Valley College's radio station which will resume broadcast March 1. According to Dr. Adrienne Zahler of the broadcasting department, KVCM will go on the air 12 hours each day.

At the present time the cafeteria is the only place where one could listen to the station. "We are appealing to ASO for access of funds in order to

install and operate a carrier system which would allow students who have radios in any building on campus to pick up KVCM's signal," said Zahler.

She also explained that once this has been established they plan to expand the system to the parking lot area which would enable students to listen to the station in their cars.

"With student support we feel these adjustments will be made," added Zahler.

JFK Assassination...

(Continued from Pg. 1, Col. 2) did not know who these men were but apparently never even bothered to pursue the matter to find out who the

College...

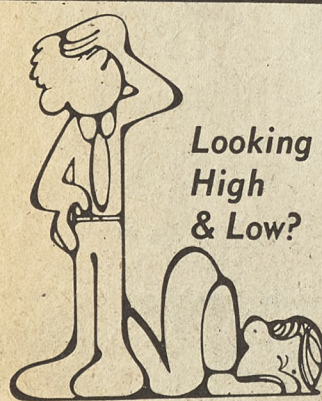
(Continued from Pg. 3, Col. 5) of the event, "Students should be reminded of the importance of becoming acquainted with the colleges and universities now since many require applications up to a year in advance."

The representatives from each school are usually faculty members and students. "These people are right off the campus," said Sprehler, stressing the importance of informality. "They know the campuses, requirements and procedures."

Sprehler expects a large turnout of private colleges along with the state universities.

The event also takes place on other campuses in the state throughout the year as the representatives travel about.

To mark this important event large helium balloons, designating the various schools will be at each table and decorative posters will be displayed.



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State Board Employment Tests Slated

Representatives from the California State Personnel Board will be on campus Friday, March 5, to give tests for part-time and full-time employment in clerical positions.

If there is an overflow of applications they will return on Friday, March 12. Applications and information are available in the Placement Office, CC 116.

Part-time jobs pay \$3 an hour. Full-time jobs pay from \$651 to \$791 per month. The minimum requirement is an ability to type 40 words per minute.

Hiring dates can be postponed for individuals who will become eligible for employment after the completion of this semester.

The jobs they are trying to fill are all located in the San Fernando Valley.

Individuals interested in taking the tests are advised to sign up as soon as possible.

Campus Crime Rate Low

(Continued from Pg. 1, Col. 7) start dead batteries—"six to eight calls per day for each," he said.

They sometimes have to deal with "lovers' quarrels," as when the parents of a coed asked them to escort her to her car when her boyfriend had been making threats.

Drug Information

One of the many services provided for the community is the Narcotics Information Resource Center. This center provides, free of charge, over 30 films on drugs; a library of books and articles on drug abuse; speakers for school and community groups and organizations; film strips; many reprints of magazine articles; a bi-monthly newsletter and several other services for any group in the community. Call 781-0866 for information and to enroll in Community Services classes on drug abuse.

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Clubs

Think Snow!

The SKI LIONS will be rebuilding their ski ramp at 8 a.m. Saturday by the football field. There will be a picnic at 11 a.m. and football game at Ethel Park just above Valley College. An open party with a live band will begin at 8 p.m. Members and prospective members are invited to attend. For information about the SKI LIONS and location of the party contact any SKI LION member at CC 204 or 206 at 11 a.m. Tuesday or call Chris Angona 762-2940.

Democrats

The YOUNG DEMOCRATS will be planning more of their Club Day activities today at 11 a.m. in CC201. Pizzas, hot dogs, and drinks will be sold at their booth.

General Information Store

The PUBLIC RELATIONS CLUB invites everyone to meet the Kurosity Kid in the Monarch Patio at 11 a.m. Ginny Beals, the ASO Commissioner of Public Relations, thanks everyone who wore the Ask Me buttons and asks that they be returned to CC 102 or CC 100.

Club Day Planning

VAHPER will meet in the Women's Conference Room in the Women's Gym at 11 a.m. Tuesday to plan their Club Day carnival booth which will include cotton candy and prizes.

Meditation

SIMS — Advanced meeting for meditators. Tape, discussion, and meditation. Tuesday 11 a.m. in H 113.

Chicanos y Chicanas

MECHA meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m. in FL 100. The club is presently discussing book loans and scholarships and invites all chicanos y chicanas to attend.

Help for Secretarial Majors

ALPHA PI EPSILON, a national honorary organization for secretarial science majors, will meet today at 11 a.m. in MB 101. The members are presently setting up a tutoring service. Any students who would like tutoring in shorthand, typing, or other secretarial science classes should contact Mrs. Marion Brown or Mrs. Marjorie Reed.

Republicans

VALLEY COLLEGE REPUBLICANS will hold their fourth meeting of the semester next Tuesday at 11 a.m. in CC 201. All interested Republicans are invited to attend.

Elections

LASO will elect their officers today at 11 a.m. in CC 210.

New Location

LAVC STUDENTS FOR TOM HAYDEN will be meeting at a new location today, MS 105, according to Dennis Graham, president. Interested students are welcome to attend.

JAMAA

JAMAA II, meaning "the Family Second Generation," meets every Tuesday at 11 a.m. in CC 212.

Romanian "Cimpoi"

THE INTERNATIONAL RENDEZVOUS FOLK DANCE CLUB will feature Gary Coyne teaching the Romanian dance "Cimpoi" next Saturday during the 8-9 p.m. instruction hour. Open dancing from 9-11 p.m. will follow. The dance is held at the Field House on Ethel Avenue and admission is \$1. The club will be closed on March 6 in order to allow members to see the AMAN Folk Ensemble perform at Pierce College. For ticket information call Pierce College at 884-4455.

Israeli Film

"Israel Revisited," a film about life in Israel before and after Yom Kippur, will be presented by the STUDENT ZIONIST ALLIANCE, March 2, at 11 a.m. in FL 113. The club will again be selling their famous felafels during Club Day activities.

Single Adults in Israel

"Single Adult Life in Israel" will be presented today at 11 a.m. in FL 111 by the HILLEL COUNCIL. Joel Scheinfeld, a young San Diego Jew who went to live in Israel, will discuss his personal experiences.

Supper-Get-Together

HILLEL COUNCIL will have a "Supper-Get-Together" this coming Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Hillel "Backroom" of the Jewish Center. After supper the group will decide on Hillel programming for the semester. There is no charge for the supper but reservations must be made. Phone 994-7443.

Student Awareness Stressed

(Continued from Pg. 1, Col. 4)

tunity to air their gripes in the patio during the activity hour on Thursdays. Steven Handelman, commissioner of campus improvements, developed a "name your campus grill" contest where a novelty prize will be awarded to the person submitting the best name for the cafeteria.

Others take their programs more seriously. Steven Katz, commissioner of evening division, not only favors health services for students at night, but legal aid as a way to boost paid ID.

"I've already talked to the state bar," said Katz, "to see if they could devote some time. If the students knew free counsel was available to them, and their paid ID was paying it, it would boost ID sales."

Other officers represent specific groups, and gear their activities towards their constituents. For David Caranza, commissioner of Chicano studies, it is culture week, a celebration of Cinco de Mayo. Caranza

says his main function "is to help the Chicano on campus with any problems he may have."

James Lindsay, commissioner of Black activities, plans his culture week to correspond with the birthday of Malcolm X on May 19. Lindsay is planning activities throughout the semester where "the main emphasis is to give information allow the students to have an opportunity to view the Black experience."

Wayne Arak, commissioner of Jewish studies, has two consecutive culture weeks, one in remembrance of the holocaust, and the other the Israeli Independence Week. The latter falls in the same week as the Chicano Culture Week. Arak has programs during these weeks to give the "students an awareness of what Israel is."

Kathy Burmeister, woman's president, has two days planned exclusively for women, career day and health day. "Some women don't get the opportunity to be around

professionals. Everybody needs examples. We'll expose the women on this campus to the problems the professionals face in getting where they are."

For men's president Dan Smith, his representation to the CCCSGA is his main consideration. "We have to organize an effective lobbying group in Sacramento," he said. "We'll have to check other professional lobbying sources to realize our potential."

Barry Silverman, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, hopes to restructure the constitution and bylaws. "Right now the A.S. constitution and bylaws are vague, contradictory, and outdated. Any new values since its inception have not been accounted for."

Commissioner of elections, William Sides, plans an information pamphlet on the candidates in hopes of over doubling voter turnout in elections. Better organization and more control will be his way of eliminating the allegations that clouded the last election.

Richard Erquiaga, commissioner of men's athletics, would "like to expand the men's athletic activities to include night students. The facilities are open. There are lights on the field, lights on the tennis courts, and the gym is open."

Max Jamison, commissioner of fine arts, has programs to provide fine art entertainment for the

students. These include the Great Salt Lake Mine Troop, a cartoon festival, and promoting department productions to "get the students to see different departments on campus and what students are working on."

Commissioner of scholastic activities Marc Seigel supervises the A.S. scholarship banquet and heads scholastic committee which sets the rules and regulations for the application of A.S. scholarships.

Anne Winnicki, commissioner of social activities, plans programs throughout the semester "as surprises" to the students, and proudly cites the student support of her planned events thus far.

Yvonne Colin, commissioner of woman's athletics, was the only person unavailable for comment, and Jim Driscoll is the parliamentarian.

CLUB NEWS

Recognized clubs on Valley's campus are invited to include their club activities, on or off campus but restricted to the general locale, in the Valley Star.

Club news should be left in the club editor's box, located in BJ114, by 2 p.m. on Monday for the following Thursday.

Club news may be turned in at noon on Tuesday only if the information was received at an 11 a.m. Tuesday club meeting.

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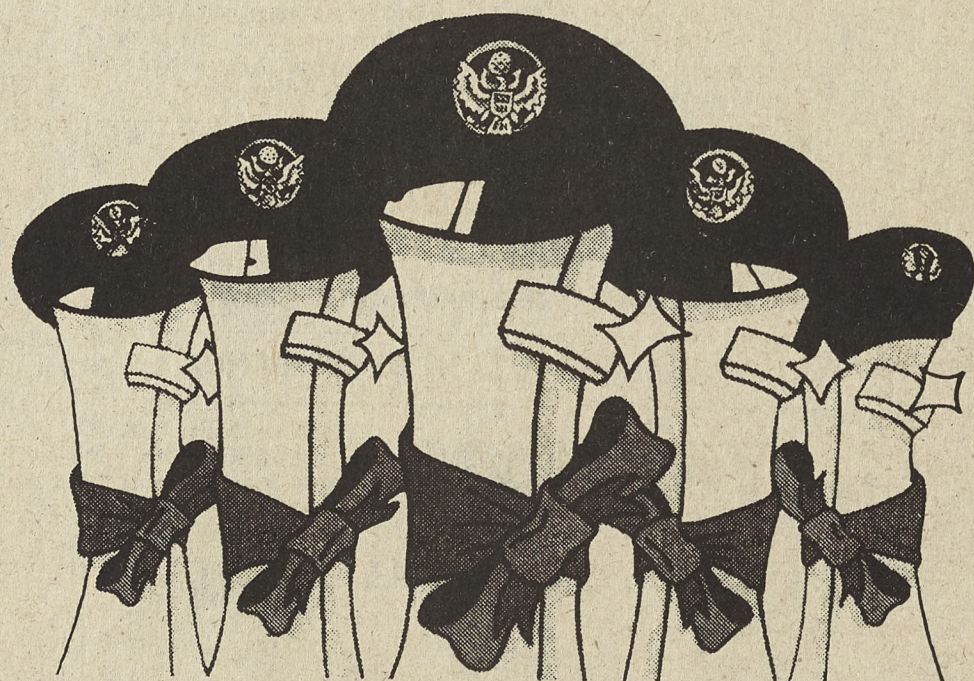
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